

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA
LAFAYETTE DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CASE NO. 6:23-CR-00165-01

VERSUS

JUDGE S. MAURICE HICKS, JR.

MONTEL JOSEPH WILRIDGE (01)

MAGISTRATE JUDGE DAVID J. AYO

MINUTES OF COURT:

Change of Plea

Date:	12/8/2023	Presiding: Magistrate Judge David J. Ayo
Court Opened:	11:06 AM	Courtroom Deputy: Christina Chicola
Court Adjourned:	11:29 AM	Court Reporter: Cathleen Marquardt
Statistical Time:	00:23	Courtroom: CR7
		Probation Officer: Jessica Hebert

APPEARANCES

Casey Richmond (AUSA)	For	United States of America
Aaron Albert Adams (AFPD)	For	Montel Joseph Wilridge (01), Defendant
Montel Joseph Wilridge (01)		Defendant

PROCEEDINGS

BEFORE PROCEEDINGS:

Defendant in Custody

CHANGE OF PLEA:

Defendant under Oath

Reading Waived

Defendant Advised of Charges, Maximum Penalties, & Rights

Defendant Acknowledged Understanding of the Charge and the Maximum Penalty & Rights

Defendant Advised of His Right to Trial

Defendant Entered a Plea of Guilty to **Count(s) 1,3** of the Indictment

Defendant Advised of Rule 11 Rights

RULING:

For those reasons assigned orally, it is recommended that the plea of guilty be accepted.

IT IS ORDERED that a special assessment of \$100, is imposed on the defendant pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3013 is payable immediately.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of Court shall accept the defendant's payment of the special assessment, any fine and/or restitution prior to the sentencing in this case.

IT IF FURTHER ORDERED that any restitution paid will be held by the Clerk of Court and not dispersed to the victim(s) until the defendant has been sentenced and judgment has been entered.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a pre-sentence investigation report be prepared.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the court reporter file the transcript into the record and submit a copy to Judge Hicks and Magistrate Judge Ayo.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the clerk is to notify both parties of the filing of the transcript. A written report and recommendation to Judge Hicks will follow.

WAIVER:

Defendant waived his right to file an objection to Report and Recommendation.

NEXT:

Sentencing set for 3/12/2024 at 1:30 PM in Courtroom 4 Lafayette, LA, before Judge Hicks.

RELEASE:

Defendant is remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshal Service pending sentencing.

FILINGS:

Consent to Proceed Before Magistrate Judge and Waiver of Objection to Report and
Recommendation

Elements of Offense

Affidavit of Understanding of Maximum Penalty and Constitutional Rights

Stipulated Factual Basis for Guilty Plea

Plea Agreement